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SUBJECT: BRANDT ADDRESSES THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

1. SUMMARY. GERMAN CHANCELLOR WILLY BRANDT SPOKE TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 13, AT STRASBOURG. IN HIS SPEECH HE STRESSED GERMANY'S COMMITMENT TO EUROPEAN UNIFICATION AND DEVOTED THE FIRST PART OF HIS REMARKS TO EUROPE'S ROLE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE SAID A UNIFIED EUROPE HAS A ROLE TO PLAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE AREA SHOULD NOT BE LEFT TO THE TWO SUPER-POWERS. HE WELCOMED POMPIDOU'S CALL FOR PERIODIC MEETINGS OF THE EC  
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HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AND HOPED THESE WOULD DEVELOP INTO REGULAR SUMMIT

CONFERENCES. HE SAID THE COMMUNITY MUST HAVE A COMMON ENERGY POLICY AND CALLED FOR PROGRESS BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR ON SOCIAL POLICY, REGIONAL POLICY, ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION, AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAP. HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF CLOSE US-EC RELATIONS AND SAID THE DECLARATION WHICH WILL BE THE NEW FOUNDATION FOR RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND EUROPE MUST ACCEPT EUROPE AS AN EQUAL PARTNER. END SUMMARY.

2. BRANDT OPENED HIS REMARKS BY DESCRIBING GERMAN AND EUROPEAN POLICIES AND ACTIONS REGARDING THE MIDDLE EAST. HE NOTED LAST WEEK'S STATEMENT OF THE NINE AND ADMITTED IT HAD REQUIRED COMPROMISES BUT, HE ADDED, "A CHOIR OF CONTRADICTORY EUROPEAN VOICES IS OF NO IMPORTANCE TO ANYBODY." GERMAN-ISRAELI RELATIONS HAVE A SPECIAL CHARACTER, HE SAID, AND THE MIDDLE EAST CONCERNS GERMANY MORE THAN OTHER MEMBER STATES BECAUSE "IT APPEALS TO OUR BITTER RESPONSIBILITY." THE EC SHOULD BE READY TO PARTICIPATE IN REGIONAL COOPERATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND IN THE ESSENTIAL TASKS OF PEACE BUT "THREATS AND BLACKMAIL WOULD ONLY DISTURB CONSTRUCTIVE DEVELOPMENT."

3. TURNING TO A DISCUSSION OF EUROPEAN UNITY, WHICH, HE SAID, IS TO BECOME A REALITY THIS DECADE, BRANDT SUPPORTED POMPIDOU'S PROPOSAL FOR PERIODIC SUMMIT MEETINGS AND SAID HE HOPED THEY WOULD DEVELOP INTO REGULAR PRESIDENTIAL CONFERENCES. HE SAID THE COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS AND POLITICAL COOPERATION AMONG MEMBER STATES MUST BOTH BE MORE EFFICIENT AND WORK TOGETHER. THE GOAL OF EUROPEAN UNITY REMAINS A EUROPEAN GOVERNMENT WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY BE IN CHARGE OF ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION, SOCIAL POLICIES, FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND SECURITY.

4. BRANDT SAID THE LACK OF PROGRESS ON THIS PATH TO EUROPEAN UNITY AND THE INABILITY OF THE EUROPEAN MEMBER STATES TO ACT AS ONE WAS CLEARLY EVIDENT IN RECENT WEEKS. THE INFLUENCE OF A UNIFIED EUROPE IS INDISPENSABLE "IN A WORLD WHOSE DESTINY CANNOT AND SHOULD NOT BE DETERMINED BY TWO SUPERPOWERS ALONE." THE YEAR OF EUROPE CALLS FOR A REDEFINITION OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND THE UNITED STATES. BRANDT SAID "SPECIAL IMPORTANCE ACCRUES TO THE DEFINITION OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN UNITING EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THIS WILL BE A LONG-TERM PROCESS WHICH WILL NOT COME TO AN END

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BEFORE EUROPEAN UNION HAS BEEN COMPLETED. WE ARE LINKED BY SIMILAR IDEALS. OUR SECURITY INTERESTS ARE FIRMLY INTERLOCKED THROUGH THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE. AMERICA HAS ALWAYS COME OUT STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF EUROPEAN UNIFICATION. EACH OF OUR NATIONS WILL BRING THE EXPERIENCE OF FRIENDSHIP INTO THE ATLANTIC DIALOGUE."

5. BRANDT CONTINUED: "ON THE OTHER HAND, EUROPE HAS BECOME

SELF-CONFIDENT AND INDEPENDENT ENOUGH TO REGARD ITSELF AS AN EQUAL PARTNER IN THIS RELATIONSHIP AND IT IS AS SUCH THAT IT MUST BE ACCEPTED. PARTNERSHIP CANNOT MEAN SUBORDINATION. PARTNERSHIP PROVES ITS VALUE IN THE BALANCE OF INTERESTS, IN THE WILL JOINTLY TO SETTLE COMMON PROBLEMS, TO FULFILL JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES BY SENSIBLE AGREEMENT AND IN RELIABLE MUTUAL RESPECT.

6. "THIS MUST BECOME APPARENT IN THE DECLARATION WHICH IS TO LAY A NEW FOUNDATION FOR THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. IN THIS WAY WE SHALL BE MEETING THE REQUIREMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE AS EXPRESSED IN THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE PARIS CONFERENCE AND WHICH MY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN ADVOCATING. A CONSOLIDATION OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE, WHICH NEEDS TO BE FIRMLY ANCHORED, PARTICULARLY DURING THE PHASE OF DETENTE, WILL STRENGTHEN THE COMMON BASIS.

7. BRANDT THEN DISCUSSED HIS IDEAS FOR ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION AND FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY, AND STRESSED THE NEED FOR TIGHTER FINANCIAL CONTROL OVER COMMUNITY EXPENDITURES. REGARDING A COMMON ENERGY POLICY, HE SAID "RECENT DEVELOPMENTS HAVE DRASTICALLY SHOWN HOW MUCH WE ARE DEPENDENT ON OIL. UP TO NOW WE THOUGHT THAT THE COMMUNITY COULD AFFORD THE LUXURY OF HOLDING DIFFERENT VIEWS ON THE BASES AND INSTRUMENTS OF A COMMON ENERGY POLICY. TODAY WE KNOW THAT A COMMON LINE PRECISELY IN THIS FIELD IS LITERALLY VITAL. THE TREATENING ENERGY CRISIS SHOWS THAT WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT. I URGENTLY APPEAL TO THE COMPETENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY TO DO EVERYTHING WITHIN THEIR MEANS TO MOBOLIZE COOPERATION. NO LATER THAN AT THE CONFERENCE OF THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AT COPENHAGEN MUST WE CLARIFY THE STATE OF EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY."

8. BRANDT THEN TURNED TO A DISCUSSION OF COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS  
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AND CALLED FOR WIDENING THE POWERS OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREAS WHICH WILL NOT BE COVERED BY NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS. HE SUPPORTED THE PROPOSAL FOR A CONCILIATION COMMITTEE IN BUDGETARY DISPUTES BETWEEN THE PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL AND SAID HE HOPED THE PARLIAMENT WOULD PLAY A ROLE IN THE SUMMIT. HE CONCLUDED BY RESTATING GERMAN COMMITMENT TO THE IDEAL OF EUROPEAN UNION AND SUPPORT FOR THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT IN PRESSING TOWARD THAT GOAL.

9. THE FULL TEXT OF BRANDT'S SPEECH WILL BE FORWARDED BY POUCH.  
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